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In the Matter of the Application of Masakazu YAMAMOTO, et al.

For DIAGNOSING SYSTEM FOR FLUID MACHINERY

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Second Preliminary Amendment

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in the marked-up copy to read as follows:

Page 55, replace the paragraph at lines 8-14 with the following paragraph:

The calculating means establishes a rotational speed ratio for these points. If the rotational speed ratio is 0.95, for example, then  $q_1$  is shifted to  $q_1 \times 0.95$  and  $h_1$  is shifted to  $h_1 \times 0.95^2$ . This generates the points  $(0.95q_1, 0.95^2h_1)$ ,  $(0.95q_2, 0.95^2h_2)$ , .... The curve  $\alpha_7$  is the line connecting these points. This process is repeated for rotational speed ratios of 0.90, 0.85, 0.80, ... to form curves  $\alpha_6$ - $\alpha_1$ .